



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5756

LCO No. 2533

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Referred to Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Introduced by:
(LAB)

***AN ACT REQUIRING THE STANDARD WAGE BE PAID TO CERTAIN
EMPLOYEES OF EMPLOYERS WHO RECEIVED FINANCIAL
ASSISTANCE FROM STATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ENTITIES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2014, and applicable to any*
2 *agreement for financial assistance entered into on or after said date*) (a) On
3 and after January 1, 2014, if the state or any agency of the state,
4 including, but not limited to, the Department of Economic and
5 Community Development, the Connecticut Development Authority or
6 Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, provides financial assistance to
7 any business organization in an amount greater than or equal to five
8 hundred thousand dollars, such providing agency shall require, as a
9 condition of receiving such financial assistance, that (1) the business
10 organization pay, to each employee providing food preparation or
11 service, or both, or building, property or equipment services, as
12 defined in section 31-57f of the general statutes, within a period of ten
13 years from the date the business organization received such assistance,
14 wages greater than or equal to the standard rate of wages paid by a
15 required employer, as defined in said section 31-57f, to an employee

16 performing such services pursuant to said section 31-57f, and (2) any
17 contract entered into by the business organization for the provision of
18 food preparation or service, or both, or building, property or
19 equipment services, as defined in said section 31-57f, for a period of
20 ten years from the date the business organization received such
21 assistance, shall contain the following provision: "The wages paid on
22 an hourly basis to any person providing food preparation or service, or
23 both, or building, property or equipment services and the amount of
24 payment or contribution paid or payable on behalf of each such person
25 to any employee benefit fund, as defined in section 31-57f of the
26 Connecticut general statutes, shall be at a rate greater than or equal to
27 the standard rate of wages paid by a required employer, as defined in
28 said section 31-57f, to an employee performing such services pursuant
29 to said section 31-57f."

30 (b) If a business organization receiving financial assistance in an
31 amount greater than or equal to five hundred thousand dollars from
32 the state or any agency of the state, including, but not limited to, the
33 Department of Economic and Community Development, the
34 Connecticut Development Authority or Connecticut Innovations,
35 Incorporated, fails to pay any employee providing such services at a
36 rate greater than or equal to the standard rate of wages, as required by
37 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section, or fails to contract for
38 the payment of employees at a rate greater than or equal to the
39 standard rate of wages, as required by subdivision (2) of subsection (a)
40 of this section, the full amount of any financial assistance received and
41 a penalty of five per cent of such amount shall be repaid by the
42 business organization to the providing agency. For purposes of this
43 section, "financial assistance" includes, but is not limited to, all forms
44 of loans, grants, guarantees and tax abatements.

<p>This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:</p>
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Section 1	<i>January 1, 2014, and applicable to any agreement for financial assistance entered into on or after said date</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To require any business organization receiving financial assistance from a state economic development entity to pay the standard wage to certain employees.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]